UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

MELINDA HINDO,

Civil Action No.:

Plaintiff,

Judge

Magistrate Judge

v.

EQUIFAX INFORMATION SERVICES LLC, et al.,

Defendants.

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Services LLC.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Defendant, Equifax Information Services LLC ("Equifax"), by Counsel, and hereby file this Notice of Removal of this action from the 48th District Court, Michigan wherein it is now pending as Case No. 16-3002-GC-7, to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. This Notice of Removal is filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441 and 1446. In support hereof, Defendants show this Court as follows:

- 1. An action was filed on September 30, 2016 in the 48th District Court, Michigan, entitled *Hindo v. Equifax Information Services LLC, et al.*, Case No. 16-33002-GC-7 (the "State Court Action").
 - 2. Equifax was served with the Complaint on October 11, 2016.
- 3. This Notice is being filed with this Court within thirty (30) days after Equifax was served with a copy of Plaintiff's initial pleading setting forth the grounds for his action and his claims for relief.
- 4. This Court has original jurisdiction over this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, in that this is a civil action arising under the Constitution, laws or treaties of the United States; specifically 15 U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*, otherwise known as the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA"), as follows:
- (a) Plaintiff's Complaint, on its face, alleges a violation of the FCRA.

 (See Plaintiff's Complaint).
- (b) The FCRA, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(p), provides that any action alleging a violation of its provisions "may be brought in any appropriate United States district court without regard to the amount in controversy . . ."
- 5. Promptly after the filing of this Notice of Removal, Equifax shall give written notice of the removal to Plaintiff and to the Clerk of the 48th District Court, Michigan, as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d).

- 6. Attached hereto, as Exhibit A, are copies of the Summons and Complaint served upon Equifax in the State Court Action.
- 7. All Defendants consent to the removal of this case. Attached hereto, as Exhibit B, is a copy of the Consent of codefendant Discover Financial Services, Inc.

WHEREFORE, Equifax requests that the above-described action be removed to this Court.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of November, 2016.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 8th day of November, 2016, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will then send a notification of such filing (NEF) to the following:

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